

## ASK REPEAL OF DRINK TAX NOW

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Repeal of the 10 per cent tax on fruit juices, carbonated waters and soft drinks was urged before the house ways and means committee today by former Senator Thomas W. Hardwick and Ellis Johnson, of Georgia, representatives of the Association of Bottlers of Carbonated Waters.

Hardwick said that the tax cannot be absorbed by manufacturers and must be passed along to the consumer. For this reason it has curtailed the industry and threatens to destroy it. It is a sales tax and the theory of such a tax is wrong. He declared that such a tax is levied it should be on all industries and not one industry. He contended also that the tax falls on the five cent drinking population.

"Your argument applies equally to tobacco," said Rep. Garner. "They are not necessary articles to life. The principle arises how far can we go in our taxes on such articles that are not necessities?"

"Many of the soft drinks are often articles of food," said Hardwick. "A refreshing and invigorating soft drink is beneficial to our working people. Our sugar-fed soldier was the wonder

of the world. The bottle soft drink is the drink of the masses in the country. I have long thought that the sales tax is better than a tariff tax in some instances. The objection to a sales tax is its liability to multiplication."

Chairman Fordney, of the committee, said he favored a sales tax but for the pyramiding of the tax.

## FARMERS' COUNCIL NOT IN FAVOR OF IT

Oppose Enactment of Anti-Strike Legislation in Congress

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Declaring that farmers believe "strikes may be necessary to protect labor," George P. Hampton of the Farmers National Council today addressed a letter to leaders of both parties in congress opposing the enactment of anti-strike legislation.

"Farmers as a body do not like strikes," Hampton declared in his letter. "But farmers do not blind themselves to the self-evident fact that under our present industrial organization, strikes, even on railroads, after due notice has been given and negotiations have been held, may be necessary to protect labor and to enable labor to secure its just rights."

"Farmers realize that if striking by

labor is made a felony, the next step logically would be to have the curtailing of acreage or the commodity marketing of farm staples which is necessary to secure a fair price for farmers made a felony as well. This would result in enforced labor on the part of the farmers and render them helpless under the exploitation of monopolistic interests."

## HE WAS MISTAKEN TANK WAS FILLED

NEW ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 20.—When John Lamb Jr., dropped a lighted match into a gasoline drum at the rear of the Grand Theater he believed the tank to be empty. He was mistaken. A loud explosion followed. The blazing container soared a hundred feet in the air. Lamb fled through the streets. The panic-stricken theater crowd dashed into the open. Passers-by threw overcoats about the boy, who escaped with burns about the arms, legs and face, which are not dangerous. No one was injured in the flight from the theater.

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Flames spread to a store building, doing \$2,000 damage.

## TRUTH STRANGER THAN FICTION

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 20.—"Get-rich-quick" operations rivaling those of fiction are charged in suit filed in circuit court here today against Lillburn Howard Van Briggie and Mary Van Briggie by Wm. Hirst, receiver for a motor device company operated by Van Briggie, seeking recovery of more than \$42,000 of which the company is alleged to have been defrauded. Van Briggie received his gains through false royalty and stock statements to his associates. It is charged. One of his "devices" was the custom of opening directors meetings with prayer. It is alleged.

## REDUCE WAITERS WAGES 20 PER CENT

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.  
CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Wages of waiters at the Morrison hotel, one of Chicago's leading hostilities, will be reduced more than twenty per cent after January 1st, according to announcement made today. Salaries of \$30 per month now paid, will be cut to \$20. Wages of chambermaids and dish washers also have been reduced.

FOR TOYS AND  
HOUSEFURNISHINGS  
stop and shop at Cohen's Variety  
Store, opp. Postoffice, Hammond

Reduction in the prices of articles on the hotel's restaurant menu is assigned as the cause.

Officials of the Cooks and Waiters Union, it is declared, fear that other hotels and restaurants will make similar reductions and are planning to endeavor to induce owners of the Morrison hotel to countermand the reduction order.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days  
Druggists refund money if PAIN-O-MENT fails to cure Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Instantly relieves Itching Piles, and you can get restful sleep after first application. 50c.—Adv.

## Christmas Slippers

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Our Stock of Fancy House Slippers is Still Complete. Plenty of Fancy Styles and Colors to Select From.

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## LADIES' SILK HOSE

Pure thread silk, with seamed back, wide elastic garter tops, black only. Per pair \$1.59

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## LADIES' CHAMOISETTE GLOVES

A fine gift item. White, black or colors, with self or contrasting back; washable. Per pair \$1.25

Last Hour Christmas Sales Brings Remarkable Savings

# 20% Off on All TOYS

that are Purchased in our Basement on Thursday and Friday

It is our policy NOT to carry over any toys from year to year; therefore, we are reducing the price one-fifth, or twenty per cent, on every toy in our busy basement. This twenty per cent reduction is made from the regular price on the price tag at the time of purchase. For last minute toy shoppers this is a most remarkable savings. (Toys—Basement)

# All Fur Coats and Fur Pieces AT ONE-THIRD OFF

When we announced this wonderful event yesterday it was well worth being printed on the first page, but of course we couldn't. But we anticipate a great response to the unheard-of reductions, for the news of giving one-third off the original price on any Fur Coat or Fur Piece will be welcomed without a doubt by those who are planning to get Furs for Christmas. Ordinarily a sale of this kind comes in January—but why

wait until then when the assortment is most complete and it is doubtful that even in January you will see such values as these again. Styles in each case are especially attractive and for quality it is supreme, and all the most desirable fur pelts are represented; and each Coat, Scarf or Muff is distinctly individual. Do not forget the sale only continues tomorrow and Friday, therefore it is advisable to come early to get the best selection.

## Wash Satin Camisoles, \$1.95



\$2.50, \$2.95

Just arrived in time for last minute gifts. They're special.

Some with georgette and filet lace, inserted lace medallions; plain or hemstitched and flower trim. All have ribbon straps. Flesh only.

## Bath Towels at 69c

Fancy bordered Bath Towels, in pink, blue, and yellow. Double thread quality, 98c values. Very special Thursday at 69c each.

## Pillow Cases at \$1.18

42 or 45 inch, in the heavy wanted quality; no dressing. Very special Thursday, \$1.18 per pair.

## Every Infant and Girls' Coat Reduced 1/3 Off the Regular Price for Thursday and Friday Selling

Extreme economy comes to the Children's Section for two days. Every Coat in our entire stock for infants and girls is decidedly reduced—one-third off the regular selling price. This good news comes out of a clear sky for mothers who have been expecting prices to come down. There are wonderful values to choose from and especially in dark mixtures of Silvertone, Velvet and other desirable materials. The majority have self-trimmed collars and a goodly number have collars of fur or beaver cloth trim. Belts and pretty buttons add further attractiveness. Like our above Fur Sale, this event usually comes later in the season, but you will welcome it now. Only two days to participate in its economy advantages, so early choice is advised. Sizes included up to 16 years.

## Boys' Tweed Middy Suits

Made in lovely wool mixtures with sailor collars and braid trim. Knee pants. Sizes to 8 years. Special for Thursday and Friday at \$9.95

## Boys' Hockey Caps

All colors and sizes. They make a fine gift. Special for Thursday and Friday at 65c

## Every Woman will Want a Pair of Gift Comfy's at \$1.98

Fine quality felt, either plain or ribbon trimmed, very soft padded soles. A large variety of beautiful color combinations. Here's a real bargain, made to sell for a much higher price. \$1.98 A big special at

DANIEL GREEN'S COMFY'S

Most beautiful assortment of colors and patterns. Priced at— \$3.25 \$3.00 \$2.65



## Cut Glass Specials for Thursday

CUT GLASS BASKETS—Beautifully cut, \$1.39 \$1.75 value. Special at...  
SUGAR AND CREAMER—Richly cut, \$1.39 \$1.95 value. Special at...  
\$3.50 value, special at \$2.75  
SHERBET GLASSES—Beautifully cut, \$3.00 set of 6, \$3.75 value. Special at...

## Silver Specials

KNIVES AND FORKS—Bridal Wreath design; 6 hollow handle knives, 6 flat forks; \$11.95 value. Special... \$9.95  
26-PIECE MAHOGANY SILVER CHEST—Bridal Wreath design, consisting of 6 knives, 6 forks, 1 butter knife, 1 sugar shell, 6 teaspoons, 6 dessert spoons; \$15.95 value, at... \$13.50  
BRIDAL WREATH TEASPOONS—\$1.75 value, at... \$1.39

## Smoke Specials

Box of 10 Cigars... \$1.15  
Box of 5 Cigars, while they last... 75c  
White Owl—Box of 50, at... \$4.90  
Owls—Box of 50, at... \$3.69  
Van Dyck Bankers—25 in a box. Special at... \$3.75  
John Ruskin—50 in a box, at... \$3.69

(Drug Section—Main Floor)

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